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SUBJ: EGYPTIAN STATEMENT IN UNGA ON ME

1. FONMIN EL-ZAYYAT EXPLAINED THAT CONSULTATIONS WITH HIS CAPITAL FORCED HIM TO ARRIVE LATE TO GA DISCUSSION THIS MORNING. HE ANNOUNCED THAT EGYPTIAN FORCES HAD CROSSED EAST BANK OF SUEZ AND HAD HOISTED EGYPTIAN FLAG AND THAT SYRIANS ARE SUCCESSFULLY HOLDING GOLAN FRONT. REFERRING TO HIS OCT. 6 CONVERSATION WITH SYG AND SUBSEQUENT CIRCULATED LETTER, HE REPEATED ISRAEL HAD BEGUN STRIKE ALONG EGYPTIAN AND SYRIAN LINES.

2# EBAN, HE SAID, HAD CALLED THIS "LIE" ON MEDIA AND IN CONTEXT OF "LYING" EL-ZAYYAT PROCEEDED TO REFUTE WITH FOLLOWING POINTS EBAN OCT. 3 GENERAL DEBATE STATEMENT: A) ISRAEL HAD NOT ACCEPTED AMB. JARRING MEMO AND TO SAY SO IS GROSS OMISSION AND UNCLASSIFIED

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DISTORTION; B) ISRAEL HAD NOT COOPERATED WITH FOUR AFRICAN

PRESIDENTS WHO VISITED IN 1971 AND PRESIDENT MOBUTU'S BREAKING OF RELATIONS STATEMENT IS PROOF OF FACT; C) ISRAEL HAS NOT ABSTAINED FROM CHANGING JURIDICAL, POLITICAL CHARACTER OF TERRITORY AND HAS ANNEXED JERUSALEM AND SAID FUTURE IS UNNEGOTIABLE; AND D) ISRAEL IS NOT OPEN TO NEGOTIATION AND ON CONTRARY, ISRAEL WANTS TO PARTITION EGYPT, JORDAN AND SYRIA, KEEPING PARTS OF TERRITORY IT NOW HOLDS.

3. FONMIN DESCRIBED ACTIONS OF EGYPT AND SYRIA AS SELF-DEFENSE AND TOLD COMMUNITY THAT ARABS CANNOT SUFFER CONTINUED OCCUPATION OF THEIR TERRITORY AND TRAMPLING OF UN CHARTER IN SILENCE. IN SIX YEAR HISTORY, UN, GA, SC HAVE REJECTED TERRITORIAL ACQUISITION BY FORCE. HE CALLED FOR UNCONDITIONAL WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS WHICH HE SAID WAS ORIGINAL POSITION OF MOST COUNTRIES (SINGLING LA'S, PARTICULARLY ECUADOR, BENITES' COUNTRY) DURING 1967 GA DISCUSSIONS AND, HE SAID, THIS POSITION HAS BEEN RECONFIRMED OVER YEARS. HE REVIEWED POSITIVE GOE RESPONSES TO PEACE INITIATIVES OVER LAST FOUR YEARS, PARTICULARLY RESPONSES TO JARRING, FOUR POWER TALKS, 1970 90-DAY CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE AND EXTENSION OF DATE CONTINUALLY AGREED TO BY GOE, JARRING FEB. 4 MEMO. TO ALL INITIATIVES, ISRAEL HAS RESPONDED WITH HEIGHTENED AGGRESSIONS.

4. EL-ZAYYAT SAID GOE HAS RAISED QUESTION WHETHER UN IS DETERMINED TO END WAR OR WHETHER THROUGH INACTION IT HAS PROLONGED IT. IN BELIEF OF POSITIVE ACTION, GOE ASKED FOR SC MEETING THIS SUMMER. STATES AND VOTES OF SC MEMBERS SHOWED THAT WITH EXCEPTION OF US ALL NATIONS DEPLORED ISRAELI CONTINUED OCCUPATION LACK OF RESPONSE TO JARRING MEMO AND RECONFIRMED THEIR RESPECT FOR NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ALL STATES. US "SADLY" VOTED AGAINST RES AND BECAUSE OF SC INABILITY TO ACT DUE TO US, ISRAEL HAS FURTHER ESCALATED ITS AGGRESSION, CITING SEPT. 15 ACTION AND NOW OCT. 6.

5. IN CONCLUSION, EL-ZAYYAT SAID HIS GOVT TAKES HEART FROM HISTORY OF MOST COUNTRIES IN GA CHAMBER SHO HAD TO FIGHT TO END AGGRESSION AND OCCUPATION. " HISTORY OF NATIONS HERE TELLS US THE MIGHTY CAN BE DEFEATED" AND JUSTICE WILL PREVAIL. QUTTING FRENCH FONMIN'S RECENT QUESTION, IF ONE ATTEMPTS TO PUT ONE'S FOOT BACK IN ONE'S HOME IS THAT AGGRESSION, EL-ZAYYAT LABELLED UNCLASSIFIED

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CURRENT FIGHTING AS ACT OF LIBERATION AND ASKED FOR UN'S SUPPORT. HE ENDED WITH COMMENT THAT HE EXPECTED "TAKE UP ITEM ON MIDDLE EAST IN DUE COURSE" AND DID NOT WANT DEBATE NOW.
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